

State Water Resources Control Board
Division of Water Quality
Water Quality Certification Program

**Public Notice
of Application for Water Quality Certification**

Pursuant to federal law (Title 33, United States Code, Section 1341; Clean Water Act Section 401), applicants for a federal license or permit for activities that may discharge to waters of the United States must seek a Section 401 Water Quality Certification (Certification) from the state or Indian tribe with jurisdiction. Such Certification is based on a finding that the discharge will meet water quality standards and other applicable requirements. In California, Regional Water Quality Control Boards (Regional Water Boards) issue or deny Certification for discharges within their geographical jurisdiction. The State Water Resources Control Board has this responsibility for projects affecting waters within multiple Regional Water Board jurisdictions.

The following information is provided in satisfaction of the public notice requirements of Section 3858, Title 23, of the California Code of Regulations, which govern the State's Certification Program.

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Project Name: Reissuance of Nationwide Permits

Date of Application: March 14, 2007

Project On March 12, 2007, the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (Corps) reissued all existing Nationwide Permits (NWP), general conditions, and definitions, with some modifications. The Corps also issued six new NWPs, two new general conditions, and 13 new definitions. The final NWPs, general conditions and definitions were published in the March 12, 2007 Federal Register (72 FR 11092-11198).

The Federal Register notice serves as the Corps' notification to water quality agencies of the deadline for Certification for those NWPs. Final Certification is required by May 11, 2007. The Corps believes the NWPs meet State water quality standards. However, the Corps understands the State may need to add conditions or require individual State review for some activities to ensure compliance with State water quality standards.

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